

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

**Ronald A. KATZ**

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**For:** TELEPHONIC-INTERFACE  
LOTTERY SYSTEM



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Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated February 26, 2001, please consider the following amendments and remarks.

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please amend claims 24, 42, 44, 55, 73, 77, 82, 89, 103, 108, 111, and 140 as indicated below.

**CLEAN VERSION:**

1 24. (Twice Amended) A method for conducting a telephonic-interface ticket control operation for use with a communication facility including remote terminal apparatus for individual callers, including voice communication means, and digital input means in the form of an array of alphabetic numeric buttons for providing identification data, comprising the steps of:

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